



MICHIGAN
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS

Wednesday, November 4th, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building

Representative Hooker, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Hooker requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, Talabi, and Liberati,

Absent: None,

Excused: None.

Representative Vaupel moved to approve the minutes from the October 28th, 2015 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4976, HB 4977, and HB 4978 before the committee:

HB 4976 (Hovey-Wright) Children; protection; children's assurance of quality foster care policy; create.

HB 4977 (Runestad) Children; foster care; specific policy for foster children; create.

HB 4978 (Darany) Children; foster care; information regarding the foster children's assurance of quality foster care policy; require the department of human services to provide to foster children.

Representative Hovey-Wright moved to adopt substitute (H-2) for HB 4976. The motion prevailed by a vote of 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, and Liberati,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Runestad moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 4977. The motion prevailed by a vote of 7-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hooker, Runestad, Forlini, Crawford, Vaupel, Hovey-Wright, and Liberati,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Hovey-Wright, Representative Runestad, and Representative Darany introduced the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Nancy Rustoni, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, testified on the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Matthew Gillard, representing Michigan's Children, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Jim and Una Casha, representing Foster Kids of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder, testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting the time being 9:58 a.m.

Representative Hooker, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Matthew Carnagie

Committee Clerk

November 4th, 2015

58 minutes